

21st CENTURY SCHOLAR PLEDGE REQUIREMENTS

21st Century Scholars must take the Scholar Pledge to meet the following requirements:

- Complete the Scholar Success Program, which includes activities at each grade level in high school (see chart below) to help students plan, prepare and pay for college. (Applies to Scholars in the high school graduating class of 2017 and younger.)
- Graduate from a state-accredited high school with a minimum of a Core 40 diploma and a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- File the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 10 as a high school senior and each year thereafter until college graduation.
- Apply to an eligible Indiana college as a high school senior, and enroll in college as a full-time student within one year of high school graduation.
- Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards established by each college.
- Complete 30 credit hours each year in college to stay on track toward earning a degree on time.
- Do not use illegal drugs, commit a crime or delinquent act, or consume alcohol before reaching the legal drinking age.

	 PLAN	 PREPARE	 PAY
09	Create a Graduation Plan ¹	Participate in an Extracurricular or Service Activity	Watch "Paying for College 101"
10	Take a Career Interests Assessment	Get Workplace Experience ²	Estimate the Costs of College
11	Visit a College Campus	Take a College Entrance Exam (ACT/SAT)	Search for Scholarships ³
12	Submit a College Application	Watch "College Success 101"	File a FAFSA

1. Plan should be updated annually to keep students on track for high school graduation and college admission.

2. Includes job shadowing, internship, part-time employment or related experience linked to a student's career aspirations.

3. Includes any additional scholarship opportunity beyond the 21st Century Scholarship.

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